IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 8145

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Art Unit: 2856

Application No.: 09/993,500

Examiner: Noland, Thomas

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 107317-00037

For:

GAP ADJUSTMENT APPARATUS AND GAP ADJUSTMENT METHOD

FOR ADJUSTING GAP BETWEEN TWO OBJECTS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Date: April 1, 2004

Sir:

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated December 17, 2003 from March 17, 2004 to April 17, 2004. Included in our attached check in the amount of \$880.00 is the fee for the Request for Continued Examination and one month extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Docket No. 107317-00037.

Respectfully submitted,

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